



Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs

Tony Evers, Governor | Mary M. Kolar, Secretary

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Dear King Members, Friends, and Family:

I'd like to start today by thanking all of you for your support of our staff and others who are working tirelessly to care for everyone here. For nearly 8 months, all of us, including you, have been adapting to our new reality. The changes we've made on campus have not been easy and we all long for days like those before this virus struck. We truly hope that you are doing well.

As you know, we are all doing our best to provide the best quality care to our members. Unfortunately, given the prevalence of COVID-19 in Wisconsin and the high positivity rates of the virus in our surrounding areas, with 429 members and over 700 staff on campus keeping the virus out of our Home has become a battle. The state reported today an additional 5,262 cases of COVID-19, setting a daily record for the most since the pandemic began. These are not the type of record-setting numbers we like to see.

We currently have 71 active cases (42 members, 29 employees) of COVID-19 on campus. Members and staff continue to test positive for COVID-19, but we are also seeing some recoveries. Since yesterday, we've had two members test positive and two recover, and no additional staff have tested positive. I am again sad to report that we have had three member deaths related to the coronavirus. We are keeping these members and their families in our hearts.

Of course, as always, I implore you to protect yourself by staying home when possible, maintaining six feet of distance from others when you must go out, wearing a mask, and washing your hands regularly. Thank you for doing your part. We are all in this together.

Sincerely,

Tammy Servatius, Commandant